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Re application of:
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CARBON NANOTUBE STRINGS

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§ Examiner: Nguyen, Ha
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed April 21, 2004, applicant hereby elects, with traverse, Group II, claims 9-45, drawn to a method of making a semiconductor device, classified in class 438, subclass 105, for prosecution of the merits. Applicant's election is made with traverse on the grounds that there is no serious burden on the Examiner as required by MPEP § 803. In addition, Applicant notes that the method recited in the elected claims may be used for purposes other than making a semiconductor device.

An early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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